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# WORONI

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NEXT WEEK IS COMMENCEMENT

## BALL

THURSDAY 14th

15/- for students  
25/- others

TICKETS from  
Valerie Edwards J1811  
John Edwards F04 ext.73

## CEREMONY

FRIDAY 15th

Attended by the Governor-General  
and the Prime Minister.  
Conferring of degrees and award  
of prizes.

## REVUE

SATURDAY 16th  
and  
MONDAY 18th.

TICKETS 5/- and 3/- from Samsons.

ALL IN COLLEGE HALL.

SUPPORT COMMEN. WEEK IN  
JUBILEE YEAR

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YOUR S.R.C.  
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IN a couple of weeks you will be asked to elect a new S.R.C. OF the retiring Council the more active members are:

President: J. Edwards, a graduate in Arts and a former winner of the Robin Tillyard medal, now allegedly standing for a Dip. Pub. Ad. IT was John's leadership that has helped to make this S.R.C. the most lively ever.

Secretary: John Brook, a tall, dark handsome cove who is one of the more sane members of External Affairs. Brought to the note-taker's job the same capability that won for him an L.L.B.

Vice-President: Maris King, who earns admiration from all who know her for her enthusiastic efforts to foster student life. Has been S.R.C. President. Last year completed Arts degree in brilliant fashion, by collecting Robin Tillyard medal and Economic Society Prize.

Treasurer: John Carroll, the College Puck. It is said that he has started Commerce after graduating in Arts so that he can enter S.R.C. literary competitions. No one knows how much of our money he has

pinched.

Valerie Edwards, at the moment combining house arrangement with a B. a. Degree. Believed to be violently Liberal in politics.

Tim Ellis, whose chief hobby is writing English Essays with an American accent.

Chris Penders, who decided to tackle Arts because he can swear in five languages.

All but one are part-timer's and all except the Treasurer can sing. You may not agree (and if you don't write and say so) but the Editor thinks this motley crew did a good job. In his opinion they really tried to rouse student spirit, to make us aware that this College CAN be much more than a glorified night-school. The result was encouraging:

The attendance at College dances rose, and up to forty came to general meetings. A party retreated a few paces when a "thing" was used for a purpose not intended by Nature, and when the S.R.C. bought a decrepid old "bomb".

The Book Exchange was continued, Orientation Week organised, a telephone installed in the Common Room.

A typewriter gave the Association - you - an official air and eleven Woronis. And now the S.R.C. is busy on a College Revue and the annual Commencement Ball.

This S.R.C. can retire with an easy conscience; here's hoping the next will be better.

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A little bird told us that some bright bunny caused an uproar in a recent Economics lecture by reversing door hinges. Mr. Digby Pridmore denied all knowledge.

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Woroni wants to know when the Treasurer of the S.R.C. is going to hand over to the owners the £40 he is holding from the sale of books in the Book Exchange.

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We are also anxious to find out how a prominent male member of the College staff (no name allowed) happened to be locked in the ladies room for half an hour last Thursday night.





YOUR NEW WORONI :

This year's Woroni will not be run by the S.R.C. as it has been in the past. Pause and let that sink in, because it is very important.

Yes, for the first time in memory Woroni will be controlled independently. Henceforth the Editor will be free to print anything he likes. With restrictions lifted, the old conservative atmosphere will, we hope, be swept away. Last year's editors, the S.R.C., are to be congratulated for putting out a record number of issues: unfortunately the standard lagged behind the increased enthusiasm. We believe that more freedom will result in better work. We are confident that if you lend a hand Woroni will be more alive, more fresh, and more interesting, than previously.

But you'll have to help! Don't just leave things to the Editor, or you'll have to put up with the same frightfully boring articles.

We're after all sorts of articles and pars. If you're not satisfied with the way the College is run, tell us. If you think your lecturers are not pulling their weight, don't hesitate to say so. The Editor undertakes to print abuse of all and sundry, from the Council to the cleaner, from His Holiness to himself. He'll even stretch the libel laws if possible. But try to make your criticisms constructive - we're not out to capture the market from "Truth"; we're not turning into a scandalsheet. Not entirely anyway.

Any subject at all is fair game for Woroni. We want dozens of letters to the Editor; dozens of contributions for our literary pages; dozens of amusing snippets from lectures. We need reports from sporting clubs, advertisements for general meetings, news on everything from Dr. Rigby's beard to how to peel a potato.

So let's hear from you. Address copy to the Editor and leave it in the Common Room.

- Editorial Staff.

There will be a COLLEGE TENNIS TOURNAMENT at the Courts which the Sports Council has managed to filch - at the Northbourne-University Club courts in the vicinity of Gorman House on the bus-route. On SATURDAY AND SUNDAY 16th and 17th APRIL in the afternoon.

INCOMPETENCE

There may well be an explanation we haven't heard, but on the surface it looks as though the History Department deserves a roasting for a lecture given last week. British History class filed in, and thirty minutes later filed out again; they'd been given all they were to get that day. No thank you, we don't want it to happen regularly.

It should be pointed out that it was not the normal lecturer who delivered this short lesson. Till this latest effort the only dark blot on the otherwise splendid record of the History Department was the farcical appointment of Miss Ailsa Thompson as a tutor in Modern History in 1953. However, as no protest was made at the time, and as Miss Thomson is no longer at the College, there is nothing to be gained by throwing two-year-old mud, and Woroni is content to let the matter be forgotten.

One thing we will not ignore is the attitude of the College Council and of some members of the academic staff to the full-time student.

The next issue will have much to say on this point. In the meantime, we would like to hear from anyone interested.



SILVER JUBILEE

COMMENCEMENT WEEK CELEBRATIONS.

Next week is Commem. Week. This year, we'll be celebrating the first twenty-five years of the College, and these functions have been arranged :

- (1) COMMENCEMENT BALL Thursday 14th April.
- (2) COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY Friday 15th April.
- (3) The Revue - JUBILEE VIT Saturday 16th and Monday 18th.

THE BALL will be even better than last year. Music will be supplied by two leading Canberra bands, the supper will be lavish, and liquor will be available. A great night's entertainment is assured, and for the same price as last year. Make sure of your tickets by ringing

Valerie Edwards at J 1811 (Political Science Department)  
John Edwards at F 04 ext. 73.  
(and over Easter either at F223)

Subscription 15/- for students and 25/- for others.

THE CEREMONY will be attended by His Excellency the Governor-General and the Right Honourable the Prime Minister. Degrees will be conferred and prizes awarded. Supper will follow. This is always a satisfying night, and in Jubilee Year will be memorable.

THE REVUE will be specially organised for Jubilee, but may become an annual event if well supported. Basic script is by Maris King and John Carroll, S.R.C. members. The Producer is Mr. Stan Phippard, known for competent Repertory performances. The cast is drawn from the S.R.C., the Dramatic Society, and the general student body. Choruses will have the backing of Les Pogson's orchestra. You can book now at Samsons; prices 5/- and 3/-. On for two nights, Sat. and Monday.

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Two other things are important: the election of a new S.R.C., and the Annual General Meeting of the Students' Association.

Nominations for positions on the S.R.C. close THIS THURSDAY, 7th April. They should be sent to the Secretary, John Brook, Narellan House; or they may be handed to a member of the S.R.C. in the Common Room. The forms MUST be signed by the candidate himself and by two others- one who does the nominating, one who seconds it. Students may represent any faculty. Additional information on notice-boards. Remember, the closing date is this Thursday.



Keep in mind the date Thursday, 21st April. That's when the Annual General Meeting of the Students' Association will be held. 8p.m. in the Common Room.

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How come there was no February meeting of the S.R.C. ? Woroni invites the President and anyone else interested to look at section eleven of the C.U.C.S.A. Constitution (page 84 in the Calendar). Woroni would also like an explanation.

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WORONI NEEDS YOU !

We also need a typist.

Now turn to page One and start again.